



95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB0185

Introduced 1/19/2007, by Rep. Dave Winters

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

220 ILCS 5/4-204.1 new

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Creates the pay as you save program for renewable energy products. Requires the Illinois Commerce Commission to implement a pilot project to allow residential customers to purchase a renewable energy products system with no up-front payments and by paying the cost of the system over time on the customer's electricity bill, provided that the estimated life cycle electricity savings from the renewable energy products system exceeds the cost of the system. Provides that the pilot project shall provide for disconnection of utility service for non-payment of renewable energy products system pay as you save payments and allow for assignment of system repayment costs attached to the meter location. Requires the Illinois Commerce Commission to determine the time frame of the pilot program and gather and analyze information to evaluate the pilot program. Requires the Illinois Commerce Commission to require electric utilities to create a fund to provide grant money to enable residential electric utility customers to purchase a renewable energy products system. Provides that the Illinois Commerce Commission shall ensure that all reasonable costs incurred by electric utilities to start up and implement the pay as you save model system are recovered, including necessary billing system adjustments and any costs for pay as you save model system efficiency measures that are not recovered via participating residential customers' pay as you save model system bill payments or otherwise. Provides that the Illinois Commerce Commission shall adopt all rules necessary for administration of this pilot project. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

HOUSING
AFFORDABILITY
IMPACT NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Public Utilities Act is amended by adding
5 Section 4-204.1 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/4-204.1 new)

7 Sec. 4-204.1. Pay as you save program for renewable energy
8 products.

9 (a) The Illinois Commerce Commission shall implement a
10 project to be called the pay as you save program for renewable
11 energy products, that shall:

12 (1) allow a residential electric utility customer to
13 purchase a renewable energy products system:

14 (A) with no up-front payments; and

15 (B) by paying the cost of the system over time on
16 the customer's electricity bill; provided that the
17 estimated life cycle electricity savings from the
18 renewable energy products system exceeds the cost of
19 the system;

20 (2) provide for billing and payment of the renewable
21 energy products system on the utility bill;

22 (3) provide for disconnection of utility service for
23 non-payment of renewable energy products system pay as you

1 save payments; and

2 (4) allow for assignment of system repayment costs
3 attached to the meter location.

4 (b) The Illinois Commerce Commission must determine the
5 time frame of the pilot program and must gather and analyze
6 information to evaluate the pilot program.

7 (c) The Illinois Commerce Commission must require electric
8 utilities to create a fund to provide grant money to enable
9 residential electric utility customers to purchase a renewable
10 energy products system as provided for in subsection (a) of
11 this Section.

12 (d) The Illinois Commerce Commission shall ensure that all
13 reasonable costs incurred by electric utilities to start up and
14 implement the pay as you save model system are recovered,
15 including necessary billing system adjustments and any costs
16 for pay as you save model system efficiency measures that are
17 not recovered via participating residential consumers' pay as
18 you save model system bill payments or otherwise.

19 (e) The Illinois Commerce Commission shall adopt all rules
20 necessary for administration of this Section.

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
22 becoming law.